

## The Sunday School.

### THOUGHTS FOR S. S. WORKERS.

One glory of the Scriptures is in their adaptation to all. Not that all portions are equally simple, or equally adapted to common uses. There are some parts of Scripture that were obviously intended for private reading, and others that test the powers of the profoundest scholarship. But the Book as a whole, and the sixty-six books which constitute it, are so constructed as to furnish pabulum for all sorts and conditions of men.—*Burrell.*

Any plan which will increase the number of those who read and study and love and live the Bible and Bible truth is to be welcomed by Christians everywhere. Many such plans have been devised, correspondence schools, Bible-reading associations, chapter-a-day societies, and others; but among them all we count, and are here to commend as the very best, most workable and practical, the somewhat recently instituted and so-called home department of the Sunday-school.—*Hallock.*

Christian holders of the plowshare, going from this convention back to every city in the Union—yes, and perhaps to many and many a country in the world beyond the sea—O Christian holder of the plowshare, do your simple unremembered, unrequited tasks for Jesus Christ, and then, whether your name, if remembered or not, makes but little difference. "The great deed ne'er grows small; not so the great name." The seed which you sow and the furrows which you turn shall be the efficient causes in bringing in the kingdom of God. You must be yourself before you can have your scholars become.—*Boyn-ton.*

"What are you thinking about?" said a friend to Henry Clay, as he stood with arms folded on a projecting rock of the Allegheny Mountains, looking off into the valley. "I am listening to the oncoming tramp of the future generations of America," was the sublime reply. My dear friends, we are listening to the oncoming tramp of future generations of the whole world. We hear their coming step. They are upon us. Shall we not capture them for God and His church? God has entrusted to us this great international Sabbath school—the greatest work of the age. "Unto whom much is given, of them shall much be required."—*Reynolds.*

There is always a satisfaction in faithfully performing duty, though we may receive no praise or thanks. But in serving our Master, we serve one who never forgets to reward us.

## Matrimonial.

WIGGINS—GREEN.—On January 6, 1897, Mr. David Wiggins and Miss Susie Green were joined by the undersigned in the holy bonds of matrimony, at Auburn, Ill. The best wishes of their many friends go with them. LOUIS S. BAUMAN.

THOMPSON—MARSHALL.—At the residence of Joseph Longnecker, Pearson Avenue, Pleasant Hill, Ohio, Jan. 7, '97, at 6 P. M., Mr. Leotis Thompson to sister May Marshall. Brother Isaac Ross and brother W. A. Welty were present.

WM. W. SUMMERS.

## Our Dead.

SHELLY.—In Shannon, Carroll Co., Ill., Dec. 21, 1896, Elizabeth Shelly aged 85 years, 3 months and 11 days. She was the oldest daughter of Jacob Snively. Deceased was born near Chambersburg, Pa., in 1811. When about five years of age her parents moved to Morrisons Cove near Williamsburg, Blair Co., Pa., where she was married to Abraham Shelly in 1829. To them were born 13 children, 9 of whom are now living; two sons and seven daughters, thirty-five grand children, thirty-two great grand children. In 1871 they moved to Carroll Co., Ill., where her husband died 21 years ago. She united with the German Baptist Brethren Church about 65 years ago. She has lived an exemplary Christian life, being very much attached to the cause of her Master. About ten months ago she fell and sprained her hip, from which she suffered her remaining days. She retained good use of her mental faculties. Her greatest desire was to depart and be at rest. Her thoughtfulness for others, we would do well to imitate.

LIZZIE HOFFA.

BRUMBAUGH.—Mary Ann Brumbaugh, wife of H. K. Brumbaugh, of near Middlebranch, Stark Co., O., was born near Alliance O., February 13, 1836, died January 13, 1897, aged 60 years and 11 months. Sister Brumbaugh was a faithful member of the Middlebranch Brethren Church, and by her death we lose a shining light in the church, a kind friend, a good neighbor, a zealous Sunday-school worker; above all, a sincere and devoted Christian. She leaves a husband, one son and four daughters to mourn their loss. May God bless the bereaved family and may we imitate her many virtues. Funeral services by the writer, assisted by Elder Noah Longnecker, of the German Baptist Church, from James 4: 14.

J. L. KIMMEL.

## DEATH OF H. J. FRANTZ.

Brother A. P. Gibson, of Nickerson, Kansas, sends us the following clipping giving an account of the death of our brother H. J. Frantz. The clipping is from a Wellington paper, the name of which we do not know:

The entire community was shocked on Monday to learn of the sad death of H. J. Frantz, one of the city's most foremost business men. The death occurred at 6:35 that morning at his home in the Fourth ward. Mr. Frantz, accompanied by Mrs. Frantz, their son Will and Mr. W. H. Burks, arrived in the city Sunday night from Kansas City, where the latter two had gone to meet them on their return from Quincy, Ill.

He was the son of Jacob and Eliza Frantz of Roanoke county, Va., and was born February 6, 1834, near Salem, Va. He was educated in the old subscription schools of the Old Dominion. His boyhood and youth was spent on the old Frantz homestead in Roanoke, Va. At the age of 21 he emigrated to Woodford county, Ill., where he engaged in agricultural pursuits. On December 20, 1857, he was united in marriage to Miss Maria J. Gish. In the fall of 1879 he removed to Ocoya, and in the spring engaged in the grain and mercantile business. In 1867 he was elected treasurer of Woodford county, which office he held for six years. In 1874 he was elected a member of the legislature of Illinois. He served one term in the legislature and was then elected to the senate. It was while Mr. Frantz was in the senate that he introduced and passed the Funding bill, which made him famous throughout the state and won for him a dear place in the hearts of the people.

Mr. Frantz was a very broad minded man. He was a member of the Dunkard church. His life and actions were the work of a pure heart and a noble spirit. The community has lost one of its most exemplary citizens, and his household has suffered an irreparable loss.

"He who has a well-defined purpose in life finds that all his time and all his energies are not too much to devote to that purpose. He who lacks such a purpose knows nothing of life. What are you living? If you cannot answer that question, your life is a failure."

If you want knowledge you must toil for it; and if pleasure, you must toil for it. Toil is the law. Pleasure comes through toil, and not by self-indulgence and indolence. When one learns to love work, his life is a happy one.